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<p>MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p> <table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin: 10px 0;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="6" style="text-align: center;">CLAIMS AS AMENDED</th> </tr> <tr> <th style="width:15%;"></th> <th style="width:15%;">Claims Remaining After Amendment</th> <th style="width:15%;">Highest Number Previously Paid</th> <th style="width:15%;">Number Extra Claims Present</th> <th style="width:15%;">Rate</th> <th style="width:15%;"></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Total Claims</td> <td style="text-align: center;">15</td> <td style="text-align: center;">- 20 =</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">x</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Independent Claims</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td style="text-align: center;">- 3 =</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">x</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="6">Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="6">Other fee (please specify):</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="5">TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. <u>02-2448</u> as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayment.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Dated: <u>December 19, 2005</u></p> <p> #28,781 Gerald M. Murphy, Jr. Attorney Reg. No.: 28,977</p> <p>BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP 8110 Gatehouse Road Suite 100 East P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747 (703) 205-8000</p>					CLAIMS AS AMENDED							Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate		Total Claims	15	- 20 =		x		Independent Claims	2	- 3 =		x		Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>						Other fee (please specify):						TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					0.00
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Responsive to the Office Action of September 26, 2005, the following amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This Amendment includes:

Amendment to the specification:

Amended claim set; and

Remarks.